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Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

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Listing of Claims:

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1. (Currently Amended) A pharmaceutical composition having ERα agonist activity and having ERβ antagonist activity, comprising:

a steroid compound satisfying the following structural formula:

wherein:

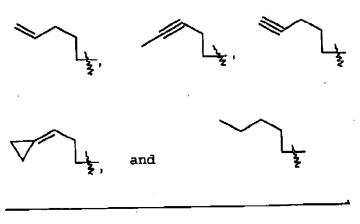
one of X and Y is OH, the other being H;

R₃ is H or COR'3, with R'3 being alkyl or aryl;

 R_7 , R_{16} , and R_{17} each independently are H, alkyl, cycloalkyl, alkenyl, alkynyl or aryl; R_{34} is a hydrocarbon group, which may be linear or branced, comprising one single linear chain having a length of from 5 to 6-carbon atoms as the longest chain on carbon atom no. 11 of the eteroid skeleten, wherein said chain may be caturated or unsaturated, R11 is selected from the group consisting of

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a pharmaceutical acceptable auxiliary.

- 2. (Cancelled)
- 3. (Cancelled)
- 4. (Cancelled)
- 5, (Canceled).
- 6, (Canceled).
- 7. (Previously Presented) A method for treating estrogen deficiency disorders, comprising: administering to a patient afflicted with an estrogen deficiency disorder a therapeutically effective amount of the pharmaceutical composition of claim 1.
- 8. (Currently Amended) A method of treating estrogen deficiency disorders by Inducing ERlphaagonist activity and ERβ antagonist activity in a patient in need thereof, comprising:

administering a therapeutically effective amount of a steroid compound satisfying the following structural formula:

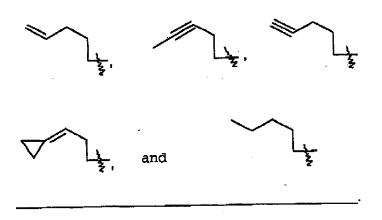
wherein:

one of X and Y is OH, the other being H;

R_s is H or COR's, with R's being alkyl or aryl;

 R_7 , R_{18} , and R_{17} each independently are H, alkyl, cycloalkyl, alkenyl, alkynyl or aryl;

 R_{11} is a hydrocarbon group, which may be linear or branched, comprising one single linear shain having a length of from 5 to 6 carbon atoms as the lengest chain on carbon atoms no. 11 of the steroid ekoleton, wherein said chain may be saturated or unsaturated R_{11} is selected from the group consisting of



- 9. (Canceled).
- 10. (Canceled).
- 11. (Canceled).
- 12. (Canceled).

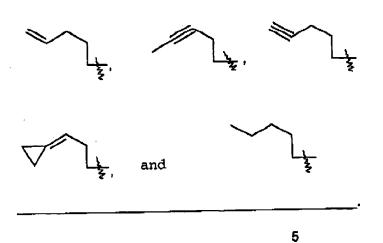
13. (Currently Amended) A steroid compound having ER α agonist activity and having ER β antagonist activity and satisfying the following structural formula:

wherein:

one of X and Y is OH, the other being H;

R₃ is H or COR'₃, with R'₃ being alkyl or aryl;

R₇, R₁₆, and R₁₇ each independently are H, alkyl, cycloalkyl, alkenyl, alkynyl or aryl; R₁₄-is-a hydrocarbon group, which may be linear or branched, comprising one single linear chain heving a length of from 5 to 6 carbon atoms as the longest chain on carbon atom no. 11 of the steroid ekoleton, wherein said chain may be saturated or unsaturated; R₁₁ is selected from the group consisting of



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- 14. (Cancelled)
- 15. (Cancelled)
- 16. (Cancelled)